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Cash crunch hits city

- **Most ATMs sport 'No Cash', 'Out of Order' boards**
- **Banks say they are not getting enough cash from RBI**

Mysuru, Mar. 17 (MTY&BCT)- Tomorrow is Ugadi and Mysuru is in a festive mood with people splurging on goodies and buying new clothes as it is the New Year as per the Hindu Calendar. But as if to dampen the festive spirit, most of the ATMs in city have run out of cash and even banks have reported cash shortage.

ATMs are either sporting 'No Cash' boards or 'Out of Order' display signs. However, there are no such boards in ATMs that accept cash deposits. Bank sources told *Star of Mysore* this morning that they were facing cash shortage since the last three months as the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) is not fulfilling their actual cash demands as per the indents submitted. The situation is aggravated now, they added.

"Normally, we fill cash in the ATMs that can last up to three to four days in an ATM. But as there is a cash shortage, we are unable to fill the ATMs to the maximum and whatever amount we fill, lasts only for two days. In places where there is a high density of people, ATM cash lasts just for a day," a manager from a nationalised bank said, requesting anonymity.

But for a few ATMs of some nationalised banks, most ATMs are dispensing currencies in lower denominations like Rs. 200, Rs. 100 and Rs. 50. Not only nationalised banks but private banks too are facing cash shortage.

"All banks in Mysuru place cash indents daily to the RBI currency chests which distribute the cash based on the availability. But only a fraction of the indent banks are able to access from the currency chests, leading to the crunch. There is a gap between demand and supply. For example, if we place an indent for Rs. 40 lakh, we are given only Rs. 20 lakh. In such a case, it is difficult to manage cash," another bank manager said.

Mysuru has 13 currency chests and the RBI directly supplies currency notes to them. But since the last two or three months, the RBI has not supplied sufficient currency. Rs. 15 crore is required for ATM kiosks in Mysuru and each ATM can store Rs. 40 lakh cash. Due to a shortage of money, only about Rs. 15 lakh to Rs. 20 lakh is being filled to each machine, bank officials said.

(See CASH on page 13)

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Greetings

STAR OF MYSORE wishes a happy and prosperous **Ugadi** to all its readers, subscribers, advertisers, patrons, agents and delivery boys.

— Management

Market rush picks up for Ugadi

Mysuru, Mar. 17 (US&MTY)- With *Ugadi* festival tomorrow, heavy rush was observed at Devaraja Market and in extensions this morning.

With *Chandramana Ugadi* ushering in the New Year according to the Hindu almanac (*Panchanga*), a lot of people were seen at stalls where the *Panchanga* was being sold.

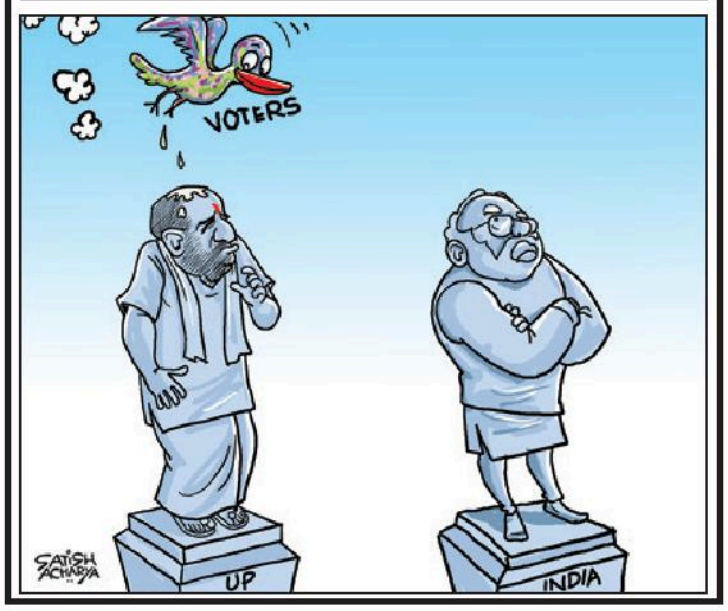
As *Ugadi* is celebrated by eating a mixture of neem leaves and jaggery (bevu-bella) which indicates that happiness and sadness should be taken with equal spirit, people were found buying bunches of neem leaves with flowers along with mango leaves which are used to decorate the entrance of houses.

Possibly to make a quick buck, a bunch of mango and neem leaves was being sold at Rs. 20. As usual the price of flowers has shot up with Chrysanthemum (sevanthige) going at Rs. 80 per standard length. There was no noticeable increase in prices of fruits. Farmers were seen selling flower garlands at reasonable prices near Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry.

The City Police have banned gambling in public places and have warned eve-teasers, chain snatchers and mischief mongers of strict action.

STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya



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Happiness Highway

A rule of the game of *happiness* stated as a philosophical expression in just four words, *Don't worry, be happy* is attributed to the Indian mystic and sage Meher Baba (1894-1969). Like virtually all other rules of life prescribed by administration to the people at large for compliance, the aforementioned rule for happiness doesn't seem to find favour with Indians in particular, barring rare exceptions among the land's masses. On the other hand, the rules of the game of *unhappiness*, personalised as they are, don't seem to have been written. Everyone in an unhappy state of mind, for whatever reason, if given an opportunity, can come up with his or her own cornucopia of the rules laying down the paved path for unhappiness. Between the two extreme points that one takes one's mind to reach, namely happiness and unhappiness, it can be fascinating to be oscillating from one point to the other. Ever *ordinary* human being is a living example of this feature.

The diktat of avoiding worries in order to be happy is most often prescribed with disdain, unlike mercy, doesn't seem to bless both the person at its *giving* end and the person at the *receiving* end. Even Ramana Maharshi and Sri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa, both known to be in a state of blissful happiness, were perceived by many as abnormal persons. Thus, to be found happy always can be abnormal.

To feel satisfied in life and to be happy all the time are complementary, as typical senior citizens of Mysuru, marked by their simplicity in life and mature outlook have been known to exemplify, in total contrast to the restive nature of present generation, mostly disfavouring hard work, barring exceptions. A major share of the blame for causing unrest in society has to be owned by the flock of politicos focussed on building personal wealth carved out of public funds needed for safeguarding people's well-being.

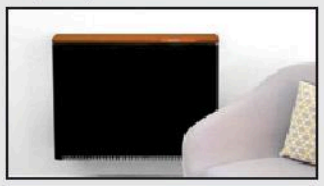
The multi-column headlines in large font and reports with graphic details of goings on across the nation carried by dailies of all hues mirror the unhappy ambience in the country worsening day after day. The latest World Happiness Report released by the United Nations has awarded a low rank to India at 133 out of 153 countries included in the study. People of India, currently doing well in many sectors of its economy, can also take the country on the *Happiness Highway* with grit.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

The sight of a telephone kiosk gathering dust in a Railway Station brought back memories of the heavy black instrument of my youth. The arrival of such a telephone in one's house was a matter of some importance. The black (and later red or green or cream-coloured) messenger was ceremoniously installed in a prominent part of the house so that everyone could reach it as soon as it began to trill. Quite often it would ring loudly just once and go dead for the next few hours. Not every phone functioned smoothly and sometimes one went to a neighbour to find out if his machine was working better than one's own. "Out of order" was as frequently heard as "The train is late" or "There was no electricity the whole of last night." I sometimes think that those black phones were sent to us to tutor us in patience and humility. Just when there was an emergency it would squeak into silence or send out a pleasant burring sound indicating that it was not going to cooperate. *— Mini Krishnan in The New Indian Express.*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Innovative heater pays for itself



Paris: The Quarnot QC-1 is advertised as the world's first crypto-heater, allowing consumers to mine cryptocurrencies and utilise the heat generated by two on-board graphics cards for heating their homes.

French company Quarnot Computing claims to have come up with a solution that effectively turns the heat generated by a mining device from an expense into a usable resource. The French company says that setting up the heater requires only 10 minutes. All you have to do is plug it in, connect it to a router and enter your wallet address into the accompanying smartphone app. The device will then start mining cryptos and sending them to that address. Quarnot doesn't keep any of the cryptocurrency, so you keep 100% of it. You can expect the heater to mine around $120 worth of Ether per month, without taking into account the power usage.

"Ageless Goddess"

Beijing: 44-year-old Yang Dan has been a weather girl at China's State broadcaster CCTV for over 22 years, but what's most remarkable about her long career is that she doesn't seem to have aged a day during that time.

Yang's incredibly youthful looks have always fascinated her fans, but after the producers of her weather program released a compilation video of her 22-year career for International Woman's Day, everyone started calling her an "ageless goddess." Watching the video, it's easy to see how people came up with that pompous nickname – at 44-years-old, Yang Dan looks as young as she did when she was 22. "Many web users have grown up watching her show. They marvelled why they have grown older but she hasn't. What's more? It appears she is younger and younger," CCTV captioned the now viral video. And people couldn't agree more. According to the Chinese government's website, Yang Dan was born in November, 1973, and has been working for China's Central Television Station since 1996. Yang Dan is only the latest Asian "ageless goddess" to go viral in the last few years.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What are the health risks of eating hot dogs?

An American Institute for Cancer Research Report revealed that consuming one 50-gram serving daily of processed meat, equal to one hot dog, increases colorectal cancer risk by 20 percent. Sodium Nitrate and Nitrite preservatives in wieners are linked to cancer risk.

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Dr. Fujisaki of Tokyo Varsity to deliver lectures at AIISH on Mar. 19, 20

Mysuru, Mar.17- Dr. Hiroya Fujisaki, Professor Emeritus, University of Tokyo, Japan, who is well-known throughout the world for his model for the process of fundamental frequency control in speech (Fujisaki Model), is visiting All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Mysuru, on Mar.19 and 20.

Dr. Hiroya Fujisaki

He will be delivering International Speech Communication Association (ISCA) distinguished lectures on two topics — 1. Fujisaki Model: Fundamentals and Applications; 2. Speech Perception - Mechanism and Processes. These lectures are scheduled at 2 pm on Mar. 19 and 20 respectively in the AIISH Seminar Hall, Academic Block.

Hiroya Fujisaki is a Professor Emeritus at the University of Tokyo and a Professor in the Department of Applied Electronics at the Science University of Tokyo. His research in speech and language processing covers a broad range of topics, including production, perception, acquisition, impairment, analysis, synthesis, coding, and recognition.

His work on mathematical and physical modelling has led to the development of models of language use, models for perceptual processes in speech identification and discrimination and models for the process of fundamental frequency control in speech.

Prof. Fujisaki is an Honorary Member of ISCA and of the Acoustical Society of Japan, a Fellow of the Acoustical Society of America, the Institute of Electronics, Information and Communication Engineers, and an inaugural Fellow of ISCA, a Life-Member of the Information Processing Society of Japan, a Member of the Engineering Academy of Japan, and a Corresponding Member of the Göttingen Academy of Sciences.

These lectures are open to all professionals and researchers.

Dr. S. R. Savithri, Director, AIISH and Prof. Ajish K. Abraham, Coordinator of the programme, will be present. For details contact Mob:98441-81080.

Really...?

- ***The name India is derived from Indus, which originates from the Old Persian word Hindu. The latter term stems from the Sanskrit word Sindhu, which was the historical local appellation for the Indus River. The ancient Greeks referred to the Indians as Indoi which translates as "The people of the Indus."***

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VOICE OF THE READER

More on Srirampura road work

Sir,

Further to the letter by Varadaraju on the plight of Srirampura main road (*SOM* dated Feb. 19), I would like to add a few points. The entire stretch of the road is approximately 1.5 to 1.8 kms. Though the road laying work was started 9 months back, the road was in a pathetic condition since past two years and on a few occasion some readers including me had written letters in these column but no action was initiated by the authorities concerned.

The road laying work is taken up in bits and pieces which has resulted in poor quality work. The entire width of the road is laid at some stretches and at some places the road laying work is incomplete resulting in the road not being completely usable. The level of the road surface laid is also not uniform. By the time the road is complete in all aspect for public use the portion of the road laid earlier is bound to get damaged and as mentioned in the earlier letter the gravel layer spread over the road is already giving out.

The authorities also need to look into the cross roads on either side of the main road in question for road laying work to ensure that the public living in this area can move around comfortably. Added to this the footpath work being carried out on either side of the road is left to the almighty as the work progress is so slow that we may not be able to see the completion in the near future.

I am really surprised that in this era of modern technology the MUDA authorities are taking their own sweet time to complete the road laying work with right quality.

I request the authorities to depute appropriate engineers to oversee the completion of the road laying work with high quality, taking into consideration the cross roads and the footpath work at the earliest.

—Balasubramanya

Srirampura III Stage
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Three-day Ugadi Sangeethotsava at Palace from tomorrow

Mysuru, Mar. 17 (US) - A three-day Ugadi Sangeethotsava organised by the Mysore Palace Board will be inaugurated by District in-Charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa at Palace premises here tomorrow at 6 pm. MLA M.K. Somashekar will preside.

Panchanga Shravana by Palace Purohits will be performed at 5 pm followed by Mangala Vadya and Saxophone recital by Yadukumar and troupe at 5.30 pm. After the inauguration at 6 pm, Ranjani and Gayatri will present a Karnatak vocal recital.

Mar. 19 features Karnatak vocal recital by R. Raghu, Fine Arts College lecturer, at 5.30 pm and Jugalbandhi by violinist Mysuru Manjunath and Sitar Maestro Ustad Rafiq Khan.

Mar. 20: Playback singers R.M. Sumanth and Vasishta will present Sugama Sangeetha and film hits followed by Karnatak vocal recital by Dr. Panthula Rama.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Ugadi at Suttur

As part of Ugadi and Allamma Prabhu Jayanti, Suttur Sri Kshetra has organised various programmes on Mar. 18. Special pujas will be held from 4 am onwards at Sri Shivarathreeshwara Shivayogi Gadduge, followed by mahamangalarathi, silver chariot procession at 7am. Suttur School Music teachers and students will render mass prayer at 9.30am. KSOU Kannada Professor Dr. Jyothi Shankar will deliver a lecture on Allamma Prabhu at 10.30 am. Astrology Professor from Bengaluru Shylaja Umesh will give a introduction to 'Suttur Sri Shivarathreeshwara Panchanga' at 11.30 am.

Vocational course for women

Rotary Mysore West Paul Harris Vocational Training Institute will be conducting six months tailoring, beautician, Fashion designing, paper and cloth bag making, spoken English and computer training courses for housewives, economically weak women and school drop-outs. Those interested may contact Mob:94806-91046, according to a press release.

Contests for women

As part of Women's Day, Badaganadu Balaga Ladies Wing has organised various competitions for women at Badaganadu Bhavan in Vasu Layout, Ramakrishnanagar, K-Block, on Mar. 24 at 10.30 am. The contests include cooking, devaranama, rangoli, sports and games. Those interested may register their names before Mar. 22. For details, contact Mob: 96632-20977 or 96325-01260, according to a press release.

AGM of MDJA on Mar.25

The Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of the Mysuru District Journalists Association (MDJA) has been organised at Institution of Engineers auditorium, JLB Road, Mysuru on Mar. 25 at 10.30 am. MDJA President C.K. Mahendra will preside, according to a press release.

Free eye camp for senior citizens

JSS Senior Citizens Helpline in association with JSS Hospital, Mysuru and District Blindness Eradication Society has organised a free eye screening camp for senior citizens at the premises of JSS Senior Citizens Helpline on M.G. Road in city on Mar. 21 from 9 am to 1pm. For registration call Ph: 0821-2548253 or 2448138 or visit the JSS Senior Citizen Helpline office in person between 9 am and 7 pm, according to a press release.

Moily's tweet leaves Congress red-faced

- Tweet accuses PWD Minister Dr. H. C. Mahadevappa of using money power to select Party candidates for elections
- Chairman of the Party's Manifesto Committee Dr. M. Veerappa Moily later disowns and deletes tweet

Bengaluru, Mar. 17 (KMS& BCT)- Even as the Congress is grappling with senior leaders lobbying for their children and relatives to get tickets to contest the forthcoming Assembly elections, the ruling party suffered embarrassment when a scathing tweet by Chairman of the Party's Manifesto Committee and former Union Minister Dr. M. Veerappa Moily slammed the process of selecting candidates.

However, after embarrassing the Congress by the tweet alleging the hand of road contractors in the selection of candidates, Moily disowned the tweet. Both Moily and his son Harsha Moily have deleted the tweet. The tweet that Veerappa Moily claimed was an "unauthorised" one accused Public Works Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, without naming him, of using money power and his alleged nexus with corrupt contractors in selecting candidates for the Assembly elections.

"INC needs to solve money in politics. We can't afford to have road contractors and their nexus with the State PWD Minister determine how candidates are selected for the upcoming Assembly Elections," stated the tweet

Dr. M. Veerappa Moily

posted late on Thursday. The same tweet also appeared on the Twitter handle of Harsha Moily.

Speaking to presspersons, Moily clarified, "I will not comment in public on the party's internal affairs. The Twitter handle could have been hacked. I will never use a social media platform to criticise the party. It was an unauthorised tweet and I will have to find out who did it." The tweet was deleted yesterday morning.

Moily said "That Twitter (handle) is not in my control. It's not (an) appropriate (tweet). I'm withdrawing (it). Neither me nor my son has any role in it, the former CM said. It was a mistake committed by somebody else and I will ensure it will not repeat in future," he stated. When asked whether he will file a complaint with Cyber Crime Police, he just said: "Forget the matter."

Dr. M. Veerappa Moily
@moilyv
INC needs to solve money in politics. We can't afford to have road contractors and their nexus with the state PWD minister determine how candidates are selected for the upcoming assembly elections. @OfficeOfRG @INCIndia @INCKarnataka @HarshaMoilyINC
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According to sources, Moily is upset with Dr. Mahadevappa following a standoff they had at the party's State Election Committee meeting held on Mar. 14 on who should get the ticket for the Karkala Assembly Constituency in Udupi district.

Moily wants his son Harsha to get the ticket while Mahadevappa backed the candidature of Uday Kumar Shetty, a Class-1 contractor, sources said. Former MLA Gopal Bhandari is also an aspirant for the Karkala ticket. Shetty, who is a close aide of Mahadevappa, has been nursing the Karkala constituency for the past few months. It is said that he was running a campaign to malign Harsha, which angered Moily.

At the State Election Committee meeting, Mahadevappa is learnt to have said that fielding Shetty would result in victory with no campaigning required, a view Chief Minister Siddharamaiah is learnt to have endorsed.

Meanwhile, Dr. Mahadevappa, a loyalist of CM Siddharamaiah, said there was nothing to comment on the matter as Veerappa Moily had disowned the tweet. "I have no connection with the tweet and the party has not finalised any candidate for any constituency. Moreover, since Moily had disowned the tweet, there is no controversy," he said.

Mahadevappa

Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee President Dr. G. Parameshwara said it must be the handiwork of the BJP to discredit the Congress when it was holding plenary session. One person can't hijack the ticket selection and it is a lengthy process, he added.

Chief Minister Siddharamaiah said "since Moily himself has clarified that he has not tweeted, now the matter is closed and there is nothing to react."

'Mahadevappa a professional in looting public money'

Mysuru, Mar. 17 - BJP State Vice-President and former Minister V. Sreenivasa Prasad yesterday lambasted PWD Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa and said that he is very professional in looting people's money.

Reacting to Congress Manifesto Committee Chairman Dr. Veerappa Moily's tweet, Prasad said that without the support of Chief Minister Siddharamaiah, corruption is not possible in the Public Works Department.

"Mahadevappa is a loyalist of Siddharamaiah. While Mahadevappa is receiving 10% commission, Siddharamaiah collects 90%. Mahadevappa has created a record of looting people's money. He has looted over Rs. 1,000 crore," Sreenivasa Prasad said.

MP Pratap Simha, in his Twitter account, has posted that

Prasad *Vishwanath*

Moily's tweet is proof for "*seeda Rupaiya sarkar*" (money first). He has stated that the CM has postponed a meeting convened to discuss the Cauvery issue to escape from the negative impact of Moily's comment.

Former MP and JD(S) leader A.H. Vishwanath said that he is happy with the tweet of Moily. "After selling everything, the party leaders are now selling 'B' forms. Mahadevappa is like a treasury for Siddharamaiah. Now, Mahadevappa is planning to fill his coffers by selling party tickets," Vishwanath said.

PWD is CM's Personal Welfare Department, says BJP

B.S. Yeddyurappa

Bengaluru, Mar. 17- The BJP pounced on veteran Congress leader Dr. M. Veerappa Moily's tweet alleging a "nexus" between road contractors and Public Works Department Minister (PWD) Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa.

The first to react was BJP State President B.S. Yeddyurappa, who said Moily's tweet had validated Prime Minister Narendra Modi's charge that the Siddharamaiah-led Congress ran a "10% commission" government.

"At last, someone's conscience in the Congress prodded him to speak up! Moily is right. We have been saying that Siddharamaiah is a 10 per cent Chief Minister," Yeddyurappa tweeted. "With contractors filling PWD Minister's deep pockets, the State's coffers and roads are in tatters." The BJP's social media team dubbed the Public Works Department as Siddharamaiah's "Personal Welfare Department." **BJP spokesperson S. Suresh Kumar** said Moily's allegation was "100% true" and that "rule of money prevailed in the Congress."

Obituary

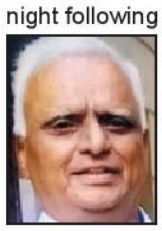
Syed Abid Khushali

Mysuru, Mar. 17- Syed Abid Khushali (52), a resident of Shanthinagar and Proprietor of *Khushali Caterers*, passed away at a private hospital here last night.

He leaves behind his wife, two sons, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends. *Namaz-e-Janaza* will be held at 5.15 pm today after *Namaz Asar* at Masjid e Azam markaz-Ahle-Sunnath -wo-Jamath, Ashoka Road.

Shankarlingegowda

Shankarlingegowda (73), former Chief Engineer of Pandavapura Sugar Factory and a resident of Gokulam in city, passed away here on Thursday night following brief illness.



He leaves behind his wife Sudhamayi, daughter Kavya, son Ullas Shankar and a host of relatives and friends. His last rites were performed at Gokulam crematorium yesterday, according to family sources.

G. Lakshminarayan Bhosle

Pailwan G.Lakshminarayan

Bhosle, a resident of Raghavendranagar in the city, passed away here on Thursday. He was 55.

He leaves behind his wife, three sons and a host of relatives and friends.

Kyathamaranahalli Raju murder accused externed from Mysuru

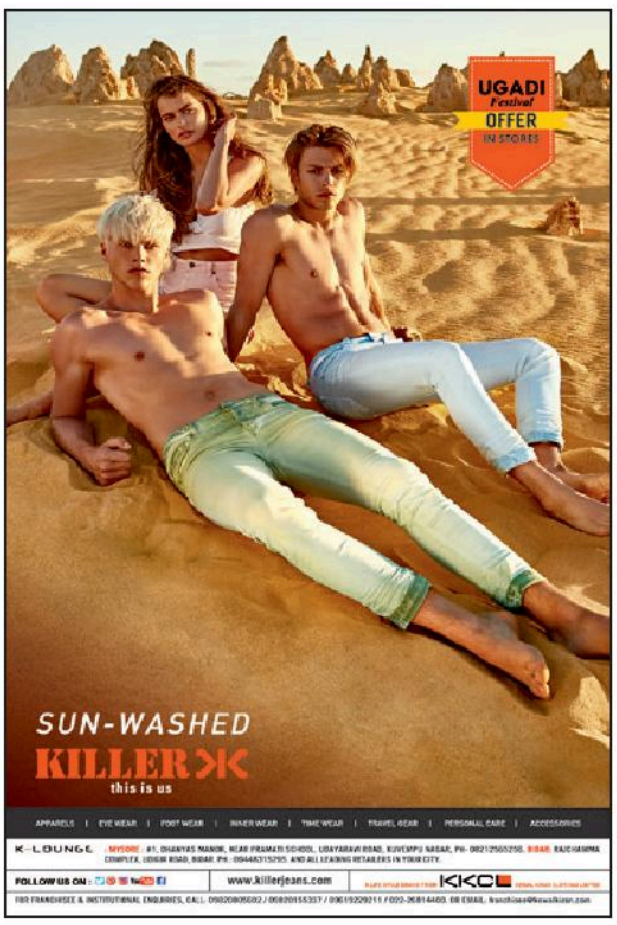
Mysuru, Mar.17- In a first-of-its kind order, the City Police have externed Habib Pasha, the prime accused in the murder of RSS activist Kyathamaranahalli Raju to Bidar as a precautionary measure ahead of Assembly polls.

Habib, a resident of Hunsur, has been asked to leave the district with immediate effect and the externment will remain in effect for a period of 6 months. The externment order was issued by DCP (Law and Order) N. Vishnuvardhana.

The order also states that Habib, who was released on bail a month ago, cannot stay in the districts surrounding Mysuru.

RSS activist Raju was sitting on a bench outside a tea shop in Udayagiri in mid-march 2015, when one of the two youths who arrived on a motorcycle, brutally hacked him to death.

The CCB Police nabbed Habib, who resided in Shanthinagar of the city two months later. Habib is a serial offender and has seven cases of murder, attempt to murder and assaults pending against him.



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Wealth and honour will automatically follow achievers in theatre: Rangayana Director

Three-day 'Suvarna Samathentho' valedictory concludes today

Theatre artiste Dr. N. Ratna seen addressing the gathering at Mini Theatre in Kalamandira last evening as Kannada and Culture Assistant Director H. Channappa, Rangayana Director Bhagirathi Bai Kadam and Theatre artiste Rameshwari Verma look on.

Bhagirathi

Mysuru, Mar. 17 (US)- "If young theatre artistes take up the art seriously and achieve set goals with hard work and perseverance, honour and wealth will automatically follow," opined Rangayana Director Bhagirathi Bai Kadam.

She was speaking on the second day of the three-day valedictory of 'Suvarna Samathentho', the 50th anniversary of the city's theatre group 'Samathentho' at the Mini Theatre in Kalamandira premises here last evening.

Bhagirathi Bai contended that young theatre artistes should not start off with a lot of enthusiasm and then lose interest with passage of time.

She asserted that theatre needs a lot of commitment and dedication before the artistes begin to reap the returns and benefits which obviously needs a lot of patience and wait.

The Rangayana Director appreciated the participation of youngsters in theatre activities not being lured by the glamour of the popular small screen. She said that establishing a theatre group and growing that was a tough proposition. In that angle, she commended the members of 'Samathentho' in carrying on for the last 50 years.

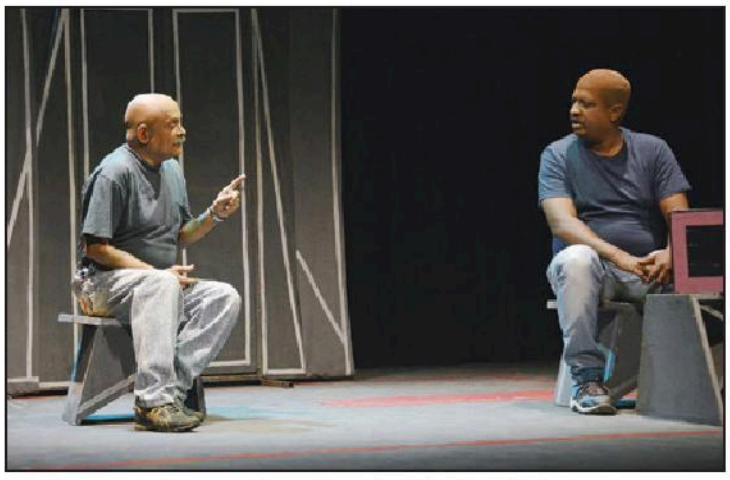
Later, S. Ramanath's play *'Carbon Cake'* was staged by Lakshmi Chandrashekar's Kriyative Theatre Troupe, Bengaluru.

Theatre artiste Dr. N. Ratna presided. Department of Kannada and Culture Assistant Director H. Channappa, Theatre artiste Rameshwari Verma and others were present.

The programme will conclude today with staging of Maurice Maeterlinck's play *'The Blind'* directed by H.S. Umesh.

The core group of amateur theatre artistes formed 'Samathentho' in 1966 and the Golden Jubilee celebrations was actually planned appropriately in 2016 to go on for a year with valedictory in 2017.

However, owing to unavoidable circumstances, the valedictory got delayed and is held now, according to the organisers.



A scene from the play 'Carbon Cake'.

Comedian Gangavathi Pranesh opens AIISH Aawaaz cultural fest

Comedian Gangavathi Pranesh speaking after inaugurating the three-day inter-college cultural festival AIISH Aawaaz in city yesterday. Picture right shows AIISH Director Dr. S.R. Savithri among the audience.

Mysuru, Mar. 17 (US)- A three-day inter-college cultural festival AIISH Aawaaz organised by All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH) began last evening at Panchavati campus of the institute on Bogadi Road here. The programme was inaugurated by popular stand-up comedian Gangavathi Pranesh.

Instead of delivering a monotonous inaugural speech, he began instantly coming out with his huge collection of humorous anecdotes from real life with the audience going into raptures.

Stating that the organisers plan well for an inaugural ceremony in Mysuru, he pointed out that in Bengaluru sometimes they forget to place a match box ready to light the inaugural lamp and enquire on the microphone whether a smoker was available!

Talking a jibe at women with a fetish for glamorous looks, Pranesh said that such women get addicted to beauty parlours for life and added that if they stop for a week they would have a face looking like the hindquarters of an elephant. He came out with many such humorous quotes with the audience bursting into laughter almost continuously thus energising the participants for the cultural show.

The valedictory will be held on Mar.18 at 6 pm with singer Vasu Dixit and team performing.

Skill training for unemployed youth at RUDSET

Mysuru, Mar. 17- RUDSET Institute, Hinkal, will be conducting the following skill training programmes for the benefit of the unemployed youth of Mysuru, Mandya and Chamarajanagar districts free of cost with boarding and lodging facilities during the training period:

Beauty Parlour Management (30 days) from Mar.20 to 18; Entrepreneurship Development Programme (6 days) from Mar.22 to 27. The trainees should be within the age group of 18 to 48 years. They can directly visit the Institute on these days with necessary documents like education qualification, Aadhar Card, Voter's ID, Caste and Income Certificate, proof of date of birth and photostat copy of the BPL/APL card with three passport size photos.

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'Digital revolution must touch all walks of life'

University of Mysore In-charge Vice-Chancellor Prof. C. Basavaraju is seen inaugurating the two-day National Conference on 'Digital Revolution and Management' at Rani Bahadur Auditorium in Manasagangothri yesterday as AT&S India, Mysuru MD and Chief Operating Officer Robert Grobbauer, Blue Nectar Spirits Company, USA, CEO Dr. B.N. Bahadur, Theorem, Mysuru, Vice-President, All India Operations, Bhaskar Kalale and others look on.

Mysuru, Mar.17 (PM&NNN)- "Digital technology should enable the growth of the society and see to it that it touches people from all walks of life including in fields such as education, science, technology, medicine," said University of Mysore In-charge Vice Chancellor Prof. C. Basavaraju.

He was speaking after inaugurating a two-day National Conference on 'Digital Revolution and Management' organised by Department of Studies in Business Administration B.N. Bahadur Institute of Management Studies'(BIMS), here yesterday at Rani Bahadur Auditorium.

The digital revolution has happened both in science and technology and adaptation of technology to bring in practical results to society must be the goal of everyone involved in such a revolution, he said.

There are hundreds of business schools in the country but there is a huge gap between theory taught in the business schools and the practice that happens in the industry. Hence, the quality of teaching must improve to meet the challenges and demands of the ever-growing industry, he said.

Lack of interest in research: The research related to Business Administration is not on expected lines and as a result there is lack of skill among the students who pass out of such business schools. Reiterating that all this can be overcome only by improving the teaching quality, Prof. Basavaraju called upon the teaching faculty to wake up to the demands of the industry.

Theorem, Mysuru, Vice-President, All India Operations, Bhaskar Kalale in his keynote address said that even if India had missed the industrial revolution, it had made up completely by catching up with the digital revolution in the world.

"The very fact that there are nearly 4.77 billion mobile users and 3.6 billion internet users, signalled the start of digital revolution. In India, 70 percent of people access internet through mobile devices and over 75 percent of the users of the net are from rural areas, which shows the extent to which the digital revolution has worked in our country," he added.

Lauding Prime Minister Modi's 'Digital India' programme, Kalale said that services like Unified Payments Interface, Bhim App, Jan Dhan accounts, cashless transactions and Digital India all point to connecting rural India to high-speed networks, which is really commendable. BIMS' Prof. D. Anand, Conference Co-ordinator Dr. R. Mahesh, Organising Secretaries Dr. S. J. Manjunath, Dr. M. Amulya, BIMS Liaison Officer P.S. Prasad and others were present.

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At Mysore: Prof Anand Kumar will address Plus 2 students on 19th March at Kalamandira, Mysuru . Time: 5.30pm For registrations to the event in Mysuru: Call: 9916933202/visit: Learner's PU College, Vijayanagar, Mysore

IN BLACK & WHITE

Vikram Muthanna

Scroll less... Sleep more

Yesterday was World Sleep Day. It's a day designated by the World Sleep Society to create awareness about sleep disorders and propagate the importance of getting a good night's sleep. This is indeed a challenge in a society that is constantly distracted and views sleep as a waste of time.

Philips India conducted a survey that showed technology is a major sleep distracter among most Indians. It reports that in order to fall asleep, 45 per cent adults have tried meditation and 24 per cent have gone to the extent of buying special mattresses. But interestingly not many have thought of the cheaper solution — put the phone away!

It is said that lack of sleep can lead to serious conditions like cardiovascular disease, diabetes, obesity, stroke etc. But the overuse of gadgets isn't the only thing distracting Indians from hitting the sack. A hectic social life makes sure that people don't get minimum sleep, causing a "social jetlag" — lack of sleep due to socialising.

Earlier lack of sleep was stress-induced and noticed among the urban population over 35 years. Now with gadgets, teenagers too have joined the group. Self-luminous gadgets suppress melatonin, a hormone that induces sleep. When one has constant light on their face the secretion becomes erratic and your sleep-wake cycle called the Circadian rhythm is not rhythmic anymore.

A constant disrupted sleep cycle can lead to different disorders including sleep apnea that occurs when a person's breathing is interrupted during sleep which can sometimes be fatal. To prevent this, one can use a *Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP)*, a small machine that pumps pressurised air through a mask fixed onto the nose and mouth.

This is not only cumbersome to carry, but can make you the butt of jokes. Once a friend of mine who has sleep apnea was travelling with his friends abroad. When it was time, my friend wore his mask and went to sleep. When he woke up his phone was filled with messages and missed calls asking if he was stable and wishing him well! He

was wondering what happened until he realised his friends had taken a photograph of him with his CPAP machine and WhatsApped it saying that he was in the ICU.

But everybody has a different Circadian (sleep cycle) behaviour. Some people are more active in the mornings, others at night. According to Psychologist and Sleep Specialist Dr. Michael Breus there are four types of sleepers: Dolphins, Lions, Bears and Wolves.

Dolphins are light sleepers and often suffer from insomnia. Lions tend to be early risers, are active during the day and are exhausted by evening. Bears follow the sun and need a good eight hours of sleep. Finally, the Wolves have a hard time waking up early but are energetic after sundown. I personally feel I'm a Giraffe as Giraffes only sleep a meagre 2 hours each day.

In India, we are obsessed with waking up early and Indian schools ensure that children also must wake up early every day. Sleep and Circadian Neuroscience Institute at the University of Oxford has recommended that schools need to start late as children's sleep cycles change with age as well as their concentration levels.

It suggested that for children aged 8 to 10 years, school should start at 8.30 am or later; for 16-year-olds it should start at 10 am and for 18-year-olds at 11 am. But in India this would be laughed at.

This begs the question: Do Indian students get enough sleep? With parents admitting children in branded schools that sprout up further and further away from their homes, with travel time between schools and homes getting longer and longer and with homework increasing day by day, it seems children are as busy as their parents.

It gets worse as they grow up. Especially among students facing 10th and II PUC board exams. Such students wake up at 5 to go for tuitions and return home only at 10 pm. Once home they study again. Many may remember children were given a 45-minute nap-time after lunch in schools because it refreshes the mind. Not anymore. Sleep is the enemy now. You snooze you lose, is the new mantra.

Sleep deprivation is a slowly but steadily growing epidemic in New India. It is reported that 93% of Indians suffer from sleep deprivation. And in young, it is known to affect physical growth, creativity and memory. But interestingly, 64% of Indians wake up before 7 am, the highest in the world!

We love to wake up early. Since childhood we are told, "early bird catches the worm." What is this worm our parents speak of? There is hardly any proof that early rising guarantees success. There have been research that shows that students and individuals who are "evening types" tend to be the more extrovert and creative; such as poets, artists and inventors. While the morning types are deducers such as civil servants and accountants.

But whether one is nocturnal or diurnal, every creature has to sleep because sleep, as Shakespeare said, *'O sleep, O gentle sleep, Nature's soft nurse!'*

In our country, sleep is perceived as a sign of indolence but we need to realise that one needs to sleep well to be well. So let's scroll less and sleep more.

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Beware of Summer Fire

How you react in the event of fire depends on how well you have prepared for a fire emergency. It is summer now and this is the time when most fires are caused due to dry vegetation and careless human attitude. Whenever there is a fire, it is very simple for us to dial '101' without even realising what happens after our call and how do firemen land at the place of fire to rescue lives and properties before they are reduced to ashes. This *Weekend Star Supplement* throws light on the functioning of the Mysuru Division Fire Department during an emergency.

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We are Ready...

By S. Kenneth Shishir

Putting out a fire is a common phrase used by businesspeople and professionals every other day. But what if the fire is more than a metaphor? Do you know what to do to lessen the likelihood of a fire breaking out — and how to react if one does?

Better be prepared as summer is here and it is the season of fire, the one which burns, destroys and kills. The onset of summer has led to increase in fire incidents in the city, keeping fire force personnel on their toes – 24/7. And mind you, they have to rush whenever they are called. Otherwise they will have to take the blame of "arriving late" or "dereliction of duty". Or worse they will have to face the public wrath for not coming on time.

Year after year, people are dying in fire incidents that are termed 'accidents' which are actually man-made disasters. According to National Crime Records Bureau, 17,700 Indians died – 48 people every day – due to fire accidents in 2015.

In a city like Mysuru too, most of the fires are man-made as a majority of fire incidents are reported from vacant plots overrun with weeds and dry vegetation where a tiny spark can set off a major fire. These vacant plots are used as dumping grounds and when the weeds dry, they become a perfect place for summer fire. If weeds and garbage at vacant plots are set on fire, there is a danger of the fire spreading to the neighbouring house.

So what happens when a fire breaks out? While the destruction part is taken care by the inferno, dousing it is a major challenge for Fire and Emergency Services personnel. There are many tricky and dangerous situations where firemen have to battle it out without even thinking about their own safety. But usually, these firemen take precautions and handle crisis situation deftly without harming themselves. And they usually keep their cool when the tempers of people flare high amidst burning fire.

Decision-Making

"Decision-making is critical in fire emergencies and our Fire and Emergency Services staff are prepared to tackle any fire incidents with the co-operation of the public," says District Fire Officer K.P. Gururaj.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Gururaj said that **the city has four fire stations and with the city growing fast in all directions adding new extensions, there is an urgent need for one more Fire Station.**

Saraswathipuram Fire Station, which houses the Main Control Room, has two fire tenders with 4,500-litre capacity, one water lorry with 9,000-litre capacity, one Varuna jeep with 50-litre Advanced Foam Technology Extinguisher, one Quick Response Van with 500-litre water extinguisher and 50-litre Chemical Foam Extinguisher and an Agni Bullet bike. Bannimantap Fire Station has two water tenders, one water lorry and one Agni Bullet bike.

Hebbal Fire Station has a Water Bouzer with 16,000-litre capacity used for large and industrial fire and an Agni Bullet bike. RBI Fire Station (exclusively for RBI and Bharatiya Reserve Bank Note Mudran Private Limited) has two water tenders.

K.P. Gururaj
District Fire Officer

Water Sourcing: A Tough Task

Sourcing water is a tough task during emergencies as fire tenders have to rush to Vani Vilas Water Works (VVWW) to refill the tankers whenever water gets exhausted. A lot of time is wasted here as the fire tenders will have to rush to VVWW from the place of emergency to refill water. "The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) should provide us with Water Hydrant System (water filling points) at vantage points in city so that we can refill the tankers and rush back to douse the fire," says Gururaj.

The effective response during emergencies depends on the amount of planning, training and drilling previously performed. Identifying key elements of a fire emergency preparation plan starts with the development of a written plan. The emergency preparedness plan should address all potential emergencies that can be anticipated, he said.

GRASSFIRE
Major Concern

Nagaraj Urs
Saraswathipuram Fire Station Officer

"Grassfire is one of our biggest risks and challenges this season. There is huge grass growth across the city which is dry now and they stand in a ready-to-burn state. My message to the residents is not to set fire to grass and garbage as the chances of fire spreading is high. And once spread, it is difficult to control," Gururaj said.

According to Saraswathipuram Fire Station Officer Nagaraj Urs, grassfire and garbage fire are major concerns during summer as they can be easily ignited by the carelessness of a smoker or by those who set fire to garbage piles without realising consequences.

Grassfires can start quickly and spread rapidly catching people off-guard and grassfires are very hot and can produce huge amounts of heat that can kill anyone caught in the open. "The safest place to be during a grassfire is well away from the fire. When in the vicinity of a grassfire, keep in mind that the burnt ground is a safe refuge. If you are threatened by a grassfire, always protect yourself by covering up all exposed skin with protective clothing," he said.

The Agni Bullet bike equipped with fire extinguishers stationed at Saraswathipuram Fire Station. Fire safety helmets and boots of firemen neatly stacked in a shelf.

A fireman checking the equipment arranged in a fire tender before proceeding for fire dousing operation.

Most high-rises in Mysuru violate fire safety norms

A No Objection Certificate (NOC) from the Department of Fire and Emergency Services is another key requirement for high-rise building projects. To get this, the National Building Code of India (fire and life safety) requires such buildings to be equipped with at least two staircases and two lifts. Besides, high-rises should give enough space/setbacks in front, sides and rear part.

Over 160 high-rise buildings in Mysuru including residential apartments, hotels, hospitals and industries have violated safety norms.

District Fire Officer Gururaj said that the MCC must seek the approval of the Fire Department and then issue the necessary documents the builder seeks, which is not happening.

"In most places, there is hardly space available for the fire tender to go inside in case of emergency, we have to station our vehicles outside to conduct rescue and extinguishing operations," Gururaj said.

He further said that some builders have obtained all types of licenses but have failed to construct as per the norms. He said that there is a need for Aerial Ladder Platform (ALP) as there are high-rise buildings with more than 50 metres in height and the present ladder-fitted-fire-tender cannot reach the height to douse fire.

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Do's and Don'ts

Every year, fire destroys thousands of acres and wildlife habitats. Some fires are started deliberately but most are due to carelessness. Some of the simple measures to avoid fire are:

- Extinguish cigarettes and other smoking materials properly.
- Never throw cigarette ends out of car windows – they can ruin whole fields of crops.
- Do not leave bottles or glass at places where there is dry grass. Sunlight shining through glass can start large fires.
- Never store gas cylinders under the stairs of your home - if you are upstairs it would be difficult for you to escape from fire.
- Do not keep more spare gas cylinders than you need.
- Escape first and then call for help. Make sure everyone in the family knows two ways to escape from every room.
- Keep escape routes clear. Keep combustible liquids away from heat sources.
- Use appropriate size and type of power cords to carry the electric load. Overloaded cords can overheat and cause fires.
- Learn operation of fire fighting equipment and install it in your premises for safety.
- Do not store empty coconut shells, firewood, waste papers and other combustible materials and substances under zinc or asbestos sheet roof as they catch fire due to heat.

TYPES OF EXTINGUISHERS

Water Extinguishers

Foam Extinguishers

Powder Extinguishers

Carbon Dioxide Extinguishers

Wet Chemical Extinguishers

Fire Blankets

1 WATER EXTINGUISHERS

Water extinguishers are one of the most cost-effective ways to fight 'Class A' fires those fuelled by solid materials such as paper, wood and textiles.

2 FOAM EXTINGUISHERS

Foam fire extinguishers can be used on 'Class A' and 'Class B' fires - most suited to extinguish fire caused by liquids such as petrol or diesel and are more versatile than water jet extinguishers because they can also be used on solids such as wood and paper.

3 POWDER EXTINGUISHERS

Powder extinguishers are good multi-purpose fire extinguishers because they can be used on 'Class A', 'Class B' and 'Class C' fires caused by electrical equipment. However, they do not completely extinguish and cool the fire and hence can re-ignite.

4 CARBON DIOXIDE EXTINGUISHERS

Carbon Dioxide fire extinguishers extinguish fire by taking away the oxygen element of the fire triangle and also by removing the heat with a very cold discharge. Carbon Dioxide can be used on 'Class B' and 'Class C' fires. They are usually ineffective on 'Class A' fires.

5 WET CHEMICAL EXTINGUISHERS

Wet chemical fire extinguishers are ideal for 'Class F' fires caused by cooking oils and fats, such as lard, olive oil, sunflower oil, maize oil and butter.

6 FIRE BLANKETS

Fire blankets are made of fire-resistant materials. They are particularly useful for smothering fat pan fires or for wrapping around a person whose clothing is on fire.

Fire Tenders To Forests

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Forest fires were the major cause for devastation of the environment. Keeping this in mind, the Fire and Emergency Service Department has deployed 17 fire tenders at many forests including Bandipur Tiger Reserve and Nagarahole National Park.

Though forests don't come under the purview of the Fire Department, fire tenders have been deployed in many forests as forest fires are dangerous.

The Forest Department has been asked to purchase fire tenders for their own use and the machines will be maintained by the Fire Department.

PROVIDING EMERGENCY SERVICES

24x7

The Fire Department provides emergency services 24x7 and fire personnel, who were earlier working in two shifts, were now working in three shifts of eight hours per shift.

Of 800 Calls to Emergency No. 101 400 Are Useless

District Fire Officer Gururaj said that there are 11 emergency lines for number '101' at Saraswathipuram Fire Station. All the lines receive about 800 calls a day out of which nearly 400 calls are useless.

He said that majority of children make such calls to '101' and just say 'Hello' and hold the receiver without bothering to disconnect the call. He urged parents not to give their mobile phones to children and also lock the dial pad of landline phones to prevent children from making such calls.

He said that a total of 210 actual fire calls were attended by all the three fire stations from Jan. 2018 till Mar. 8. He added that majority of fire calls were for grass fires, garbage fires, electricity-related fires and electric chimney fire in hotels.

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Cleanup Drive

Heaps of garbage, beer, liquor bottles found in Chamundi Hill

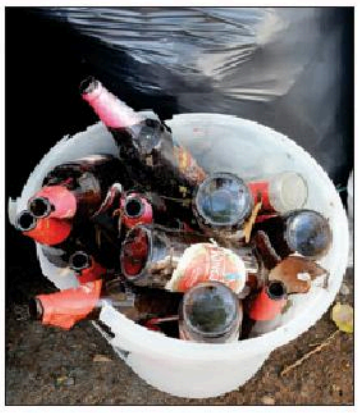
Mysuru, Mar.17 (RKB&NNN)- Nearly 500 volunteers picked and carted truckloads of garbage including beer and other liquor bottles this morning at the Chamundi Hill footsteps.

JSS Centre for Management Studies has organised 'Mann Vex-18' and had taken up the Chamundi Hill footsteps clean-up drive in association with 'Let's do it! Mysore,' as part of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.

The volunteers, mostly students from the college and others started the cleaning operations of the steps and surrounding areas with broomsticks and wearing masks. Thus, the claim of the Forest Department and the District Administration that Chamundi Hill is a plastic-free zone was debunked as they picked up hundreds of plastic water bottles and plastic covers strewn all over the place.

The volunteers were split into five or six teams with each of them covering 100 steps and started picking up the garbage thrown around from 6.30 am.

JSS Centre for Management Studies' Prof. Sridevi Kulenur said that they have been holding this cleaning drive regularly and last year under 'Go Green' theme, hundreds of saplings and seeds had been planted.



Let's do it! Mysore President B.S. Prashanth speaking to *Star of Mysore* said, "It is very sad to see so many beer and liquor bottles thrown in a sacred place like the Chamundi Hill. In fact, we have been conducting this cleaning drive in association with various colleges and other voluntary organisations since a long time and every time we find the liquor and plastic bottles."

He said that they had taken the permission of the Forest Department for the cleaning drive as otherwise they would be held responsible if anything like a forest fire happened. "However, what we find is that the whole of Chamundi Hill is filled with garbage. One of the areas where plates and leftovers are found is the Viewpoint. The Department should put a stop to this defacing of the hill," he said.

Wondering what the Chamundi Hill Gram Panchayat members were doing though they were in-charge of the maintenance, he said that when people come for picnics, they should be charged Rs.100 to Rs.150 as cleaning charges.

There is night ban of movement of vehicles from 10 pm every day and it is being strictly enforced by the Forest Department. Similarly, security guards should be stationed at the foot of Chamundi Hill to stop the unruly elements from disfiguring the hill, said Prashanth

Later, a truckload of garbage with about 30 to 35 sacks collected in black plastic bags were taken to the Excel Plant, a garbage disposable unit at Vidyaranyapuram.

Earlier, JSS Centre for Management Studies Head Prof. P. Nagesh launched the drive, Let's Do it! Mysore Secretary T. Sudhindra, Treasurer Kiran Rai, student leader Aishwarya, Mysuru Hotel Owners Association President C. Naryanagowda, actress Roshni Prakash and others were present.

Cash crunch hits city

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Lead Bank Chief Manager K.N. Shivalingaiah admitted to *SOM* that the district is facing a shortage of currency notes as the RBI is not supplying enough cash. "There is a cash shortage but it is not grim. We have informed the RBI authorities and they are not disclosing reasons for cash crunch as it is a confidential policy matter," he said.

"People are being discouraged from withdrawing bulk cash and they are being advised to go for online transactions. Yes. We are facing the shortage since the last couple of months and we do not know when the situation will improve," he said and added that most of the districts in Karnataka are facing cash crunch.

On reports floating in social media that due to elections in Karnataka, the government is deliberately holding cash so that it should not reach hoarders, Shivalingaiah said, "These are false reports and there is no connection between cash shortage and elections."

Amrita leads pooled campus drives in Mysuru

Mysuru, Mar. 17- Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Mysuru campus, has promoted several pooled campus recruitment drives by leading multinational companies for Arts and Science students passing out in the year 2018. In spite of the slowdown in the campus recruitments across the country, Amrita, Mysuru campus could attract many MNCs to its campus and close to 360 placement offers have been received so far.

Arts and Science students from MMK & SDM, JSS campuses, Maharani's, Yuvaraja's, St Philomena's, SDD GFGC (Hunsur), NIE FGC, Teresian First Grade College, Seshasdripuram Degree College, Gopalswamy College, GFGC Bannur, GFGC Kadur, GSC Hassan, GFGC Mandya, were some of the beneficiaries of the campus drives.

Placements for MCA, M.Com & MJMC students of Amrita, Mysuru campus passing out in the year 2018 is under progress. PG students could secure placement offers from very leading companies. The highest salary offer to MCA student is Rs. 6 lakh per annum.

UG students of Amrita have registered close to 95 % placements. Highest salary on offer is Rs 4.05 lakh per annum.

Amrita, Mysuru campus has been organising pooled campus drives during the past four years. In all, these campus drives resulted in the placement of around 900 students from other campuses. This includes several government college students from far flung places like Hassan, Chitradurga, Magadi, Mandya, Hunsur and Nanjangud, according to a press release from C. Vidya Pai, Principal, Amrita School of Arts & Sciences.

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By Prof. A.V. Narasimha Murthy, former Head,
Department of Ancient History & Archaeology, University of Mysore

Ugadi heralds New Year Vilambi

Yugadi, also pronounced as Ugadi, is a Sanskrit form of the Kannada word ugadi. It means the beginning of the yuga and it should not be taken literally because yuga symbolically represents the year or time which is eternal and waits for no man. That is why the popularity of the adage *yuga yugadi kaledaroo...* In other words, it is the beginning of a year. We have adopted sixty cyclic years beginning from Prabhava. Last year it was Hevilambi and this yugadi heralds the new year Vilambi on Mar.18 (Sunday).

According to Hindu tradition, there are three years of reckoning which are Sauramana, Chandramana and Barhaspatyamana. Roughly it can be stated that people in the North of the Vindhya mountain (North Indians) follow the Barhaspatyamana (Brihaspati mana). People in Karnataka and Andhra follow Chandramana (moon reckoning) and people in Tamil Nadu follow Sauramana or reckoning of the Sun. These are based on astronomical details and hence scientifically correct. In this connection it may be mentioned that ancient Indians were great adepts in astronomy for which they were admired world over. This should not be mistaken for Jyotishya which is rampant in our country. While some people praise it, others condemn it. That is a different matter of which we are not concerned here at this juncture.

According to evidences available, ugadi was celebrated in Babylonia around 2000 BC and that means it has an antiquity of over four thousand years. It was celebrated on a new moon day, not on Padya the first day of the first fortnight. The Assyrians also believed in this calculation. According to Roman Republic calculations it was believed to start on March 1. But later falling in line with other countries they changed over to 1st January. This has been confirmed by Julian Calender. But according to the Jews, the beginning of the year coincides with a date between Sept. 6 and Oct. 5. However, in Europe where Christianity was strong, March 25 was considered as the beginning of the year which we refer

to as yugadi.

However, some other countries did not follow this system. All the Roman Catholic countries accepted Jan. 1 as the beginning of the year. But many countries opposed this reckoning and calculated different dates. Scotland opposed this in 1660 AD while Germany and Denmark did it in 1700 AD. England opposed it in 1752 AD while Sweden opposed it in 1753AD. There were many reasons for this opposition which are not relevant to us as present.

Till the Britishers were our masters, at their behest Jan.1 was considered as the beginning of the year and I remember that schools and colleges were closed on that day. Even the Government offices did not work on that day. In fact under their rule and direction March 31 was considered as the last day of the financial year and April 1 heralded the new financial year and hence government employees did not get their salary on the last day of March but on April1, the first day of the new year. Unfortunately, this system is prevailing even now though the British left us long back. There is no will and commitment on the part of our governments to change this system. But this is beset with many difficulties. North India has a different reckoning, Andhra and Karnataka have another set of dates while Tamil Nadu follows another reckoning. Under these circumstances, it is better to follow the present system instead of creating confusion among the people.

Whatever may be the system or date of yugadi, the purpose of celebration is more important. It is really a big festival like Deepavali or Dasara and people look forward to this festival. Usually on the morning of yugadi day the entire family takes what is known as oil-bath. The younger generation may not know the connotation of this practice. They shoot a question on traditionalists, whether the Americans or the British or the Australians take the so-called oil-bath. Shampoo-bath has become the order of the day. They give a pretext and say that they have no time for this so-called luxury. They may be right but the older generations would not accept this reason.

However, we welcome yugadi because it is a pretext for us to buy new clothes and the textile shops attract the customers giving discount in varying degrees. Thus there is a competition among the textile merchants. Even the poor would like to buy new clothes and government offices would give advance to celebrate yugadi. There is also an unhealthy competition among the neighbours.

Coming to the celebration proper on the yugadi day, people buy the panchanga or almanac which denotes five elements — the lunar day, the day of the week, the constellation, the conjunction of the planets and astrological divisions of the day. We buy the panchanga, worship it and read the good and bad for that year and if it is bad, give a religious gift to ward off the evil and gain punya.

Another important part of the celebration is to eat neem leaves and jaggery as *prasada* from the almighty. This is done with a prayer that life is not full of roses or full of thorns. It is a mixture of both and have to be accepted with equal poise. The verse in Sanskrit reads *Shatayurvajradehaya Sarvasampatkavayacha| Sarvarishta Vinashaya nimbakam dala Bhakshanam.* This means that we eat neem leaves and jaggery for attaining the life of hundred years with full health and strength, for prosperity and to ward off bad effects. There cannot be a better wish or prayer than this on the occasion of the first day of the New Year or Ugadi. Let all of us pray to the almighty to shower his choicest blessings on all human beings all over the world on the Ugadi Day. That is a universal and true prayer all of us should resort to. That is the message of Yugadi. Hope, all of you will say 'amen'.

Inter-College Journalistic Meet at St. Philos

Mysuru, Mar.17- An Inter-college Journalistic Meet and Script Writing Workshop 'Aaina-2018' for the academic year 2018-2019 was organised by the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication at St. Philomena's College auditorium recently.

The programme was inaugurated by the chief guest Prof. M. Krishne Gowda, former Principal of the College. Addressing the students of various colleges, he said that the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication has an indispensible role in spreading the fame of the college across Karnataka and other States. He said "Aaina" had been conducted in the college for 11 years and has given students exceptional journalistic skills through workshops and competitions.

He emphasised on the role of journalists in the present society and said that the profession is significant in deciding what people should know in the information age. He added that the wisdom and knowledge are important. Though technology has developed, we cannot assume that it is the end. The internet is a parallel universe. As far as a student is concerned, the requirement is wise decisions in life; money and fame follow the knowledge, he opined.

Today, there is a big gap between what is being taught in the educational institutions regarding Journalism and what is being practiced in the media industry. Every field of service becomes an industry where ethics and morals take the backseat. This is the time to think about our sense of responsibility and ethics, he said.

The script writing workshop, carried out by Akshay Siddharth, Faculty, Department of Journalism, helped students to learn the basic lessons of script writing. Students could learn new terms and terminologies related to film and screenplay through power points and visuals.

This was followed by an interaction with Newsreader of *TV9* Amar Prasad.

Prof. Ruth Shanthakumari, Principal, also spoke.

Prof. Sukanya, Head, Department of Journalism, organised the programme. Rev. Fr. Bernard Prakash Barnis, Rector of the college, Prof. Orthbert Pinto, Director, Fr.Rony Ravikumar, Assistant Director, PG Centre, teachers and invitees were present on the occasion.

Senior Citizen felicitated

R. Mallikarjuna Chetty, Secretary of Senior Citizens Forum, Rajarajeshwarinagar, Mysuru, was honoured with 'Vishwamanya Kannadiga' award in recognition of his social service, at the State-level 'Sahityotsava' of Prema Kavi Dr. K. S. Narasimhaswamy (KSN), organised by Gramantara Buddijeevigala Balaga, at Rotary Centre on JLB Road here recently. Gramantara Buddijeevigala Balaga President Ramkumar, Writer Dr. Latha Rajashekar, Prof. K. Bhyravamurthy, Dr. G. D. Joshi, K. N. Mahabala, Dr. K. Raghuram Vajpayee and Dr. B. Rajashekar were present on the occasion.

Sunil Gladson of Mysuru wins
Masters National Badminton title

Mysuru, Mar. 17- Sunil Gladson Varadaraj of Mysuru and Abhinand Shetty of Bengaluru emerged champions in the 42nd Masters National Badminton Championship.

The duo won the prestigious title in the men's 35 plus category. Players from all the 30 States of India participated in this event held annually by the Badminton Association of India at "Lakshya Badminton Academy" recently.

Sunil Gladson, partnering with Radhika of Pune, was the runner-up in the mixed doubles category.

Sunil Gladson (extreme right) seen with Radhika of Pune and Abhinand Shetty of Bengaluru.

Mysuru City Inter-Collegiate Softball Tourney

ATME, PGSC triumph

Mysuru, Mar. 17- ATME, Mysuru Men's Softball Team and Post Graduate Sports Council (PGSC), Manasagangothri, Women's team won Mysuru City Inter-Collegiate Men's and Women's Softball Titles respectively in the softball tournament conducted jointly by the Onkarmal Somani College of Education, St. Joseph's First Grade College, J.L. Puram and Department of Physical Education, UoM at the University grounds here recently.

In the men's final, ATME scored a convincing 12-7 win over VTU PG to clinch the title. In the semi-finals, ATME beat PGSC, Manasagangothri 5-4, while VTU, PG bt St.Joseph's FGC 11-5. In the women's section, PGSC, Manasagangothri beat ATME 20-12 in the final.

The ATME Men's softball team which won the title seen with the trophy. Also seen are Dr. P. Krishnaiah, Director, Departmnet of Physical Education, University of Mysore; Huchagondar, Retd. Physical Education Director, JSS Women's College; N.S.Subramanaya, Convener of the Tournament; Rajesh, In-charge Principal, St.Joseph's First grade College; Chandrashekar, PE Director, St. Joseph's First Grade College and Vani Christopher, PE Director, St.Joseph's College.

The PGSC women's softball team seen with the trophy and the guests at the prize distribution ceremony.

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MLA Vasu recalls Wadiyars' contribution to State

MLA Vasu speaking after inaugurating the two-day State-level conference on the topic "Irrigational Projects during the Mysore Wadiyar Regime" at the Vidyavardhaka First Grade College premises in city yesterday as VV Sangha Honorary President Gundappa Gowda, Hon. Secretary P. Vishwanath, Treasurer S.N. Lakshminarayan, Director of Archaeological Archives Dr. Gavi Siddaiah and others look on.

Mysuru, Mar.17 (MTY&NNN)- "The erstwhile rulers of Mysuru concentrated more on building the State, unlike the rulers in the North who were more keen on plundering wealth of the people. Thus the rulers of Mysuru were far different in their approach to people's needs," said MLA Vasu.

He was speaking after inaugurating a two-day State-level Conference on the topic "Irrigational Projects during the Mysore Wadiyar Regime" organised by Vidyavardhaka First Grade College, in association with Department of Archaeology Museums and Heritage, yesterday at the college premises on Seshadri Iyer Road.

"In fact mother of Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar Maharani Kemparajammanni had even pledged her gold jewellery in the Mumbai market to construct KRS dam," said Vasu and added, "hence, there is a huge difference between the way the emperors and kings functioned in other parts of the world in the past and our own dynastic rulers when compared to the benevolent Wadiyars' rule."

"The Wadiyars had a 100-year vision and that is how they founded University of Mysore, Maharaja's College and Maharani's College, built K.R. Hospital, industries like K.R. Mills, Sandalwood Oil Factory, Silk Factory, setup CITB to name a few. The PKTB Sanatorium was constructed on a 100-acre plot nearly 100 years ago and because of the vast space, today it is possible to build Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research on the same land," said Vasu.

"If it was not for the foresight and sacrifice of the Wadiyars, then there would have been no Mandya on the map of the State as the construction of Krishna Raja Sagar Dam helped the farmers of the region to irrigate their lands, he said.

Dr. Susheela Urs, who delivered the keynote address, spoke about the need of such conferences. "It is to enlighten the younger generation to know about Wadiyars who provided a perfect platform for magnificent and modern Mysuru that we are living in. In times of no dams or reservoirs, when agriculture depended on rain itself, Wadiyars managed the water source very impressively. Every house had a well and every village had pond then," she said.

Principal Dr. S. Mari Gowda and Conference Secretary Prof. K.S. Savitha were present.

Mysuru Tahsildar Ramesh Babu, 117 others transferred

Ramesh Babu

Bengaluru, Mar.17 (ACP&NNN) - The State Government has transferred 118 Tahsildars including Mysuru Tahsildar T. Ramesh Babu, thus effecting a major surgery in the Revenue Department.

Ramesh Babu has been transferred to Chamarajanagar; Srinivasapura Tahsildar Y. Ravi has been transferred to Mysuru; Mysuru City Corporation Tahsildar H. Indiramma has been shifted to Koppa; Mysuru Urban Development Authority Tahsildars R. Manjunath to Kadur and M. Ramadevi to Kodagu Deputy Commissioner's Office Election Branch.

Vishwanath from MUDA has been shifted to Mysuru KSFC (Karnataka State Finance Corporation); Mysuru Additional Tahsildar H.R. Chandrakumar to Gundlupet; Hunsur Tahsildar S.P. Mohan to Hanur and Hanur Tahsildar Kamakshamma to MUDA.

Hunsur Assistant Commissioner's Office Tahsildar G. Anand has been transferred to H.D. Kote; Yelandur Tahsildar K. Chandramouli to Malavalli and Malavalli Tahsildar H.C. Dinesh has been shifted to Yelandur; K.R. Pet Tahsildar K. Ratna has been shifted to MUDA; Mysuru KSFC's H.N. Anasuya Devi to K.R. Pet; Madikeri's A.A. Kusuma has been shifted to Alur.

Somwarpet's P.S. Mahesh has been transferred to Hunsur; Bhatkal's V.N. Badagar to Somwarpet; Hassan's R.B. Shivashankarappa to Moodabidre; Chikkanayakanahalli's M. Shivalingamurthy to Hassan Deputy Commissioner's Office Election Branch and Hassan DC Office Tahsildar Thimmappa has been transferred to Chikkanayakanahalli.

TRANSFERS IN BACKWARD CLASS DEPARTMENT

In view of the State Assembly elections due in May, officials of the Backward Classes Department in the District who have been serving in the same place for more than three years have been transferred.

Mysuru District Officer G.S. Somashekar has been transferred to Mandya and Mandya District Officer Renukamba has been transferred to Mysuru. Chitradurga District Officer Mahesh has been transferred to Udupi and Udupi District Officer Harish Gaonkar has been posted to Kodagu District.

Veerashaiva-Lingayats must get more tickets: Forum

Mysuru, Mar.17 (PM&DM)- Upset at the dwindling number of Veerashaiva-Lingayats getting elected to the Karnataka Assembly in recent times, particularly from the districts of Mysuru Revenue division, the community leaders held a meeting recently and unanimously decided to demand tickets for community members where they are more in number.

The meeting took place at Jaganmohan Palace under the banner of Veerashaiva-Lingayat Hitharakshana Vedike. Addressing the meeting, Vedike Honorary President and former MLA H.C. Basavaraj said a strong message must be sent to all political parties by holding a mega convention.

Stressing the need to show the strength of the community, he said Mysuru division has more than 13 lakh Veerashaiva-Lingayat population. "The three major political parties in the State — Congress, BJP and JD(S) — must field candidates based on the community population in Lok Sabha, Assembly and local body elections. If any party refuses to field community candidates, community members must not support such a party". Basavaraj said.

Alleging that political parties have been neglecting the community, the former MLA urged the political parties to issue 'B' forms to community candidates where there are a sizeable number of Veerashaiva-Lingayat voters.

Vedike President C.P. Thammanna called for organising the community in such Assembly segments where there is a sizeable population of Veerashaiva-Lingayats. Calling upon the community members to condemn the efforts of those trying to divide them, he emphasised on the need to speak in a loud and clear voice that Veerashaivas and Lingayats were one and the same.

Vedike Gen. Secretary K.P. Mahadevaswamy maintained that the community had lost ground because of internal squabbles.

SWR Mysuru Division ranked fourth in punctuality

Mysuru, Mar. 17-By maintaining the punctuality performance percentage of 97.36%, South Western Railway (SWR) Mysuru Division has ranked fourth among Indian Railways and first in South Western Railway.

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On an average 126 trains are being dealt by Mysuru Division daily including 64 passenger trains and 62 express trains. Out of the above, 70 trains are originated from different terminals of Mysuru Division and 56 are passing through trains. This punctuality performance was achieved through continuous monitoring and following up the suggestions given by passengers.

Compared to last year's percentage of 97.57%, the punctuality performance has come down slightly by 0.21% due to various safety maintenance activities planned across Division, according to a press release from Dr.S. G. Yathish, PRO and Sr. Divisional Commercial Manager.

Sapientia-2018 Management Fest held

FROM LEFT: ***Sapient College Director Girish Baga, Trust Secretary Leela Choudhary, Friendly Group MD Raghu Chaitanya Nayak, Sapient President Prabhuram Choudhary, Treasurer Daljit Ram and Principal Ganesh seen at the inauguration of Sapientia-2018, a national-level Management Fest at Silent Shores Resorts and Spa yesterday.***

Mysore, Mar.17 - The two-day Sapientia-2018, a national-level Management Fest, organised by Sapient College of Commerce and Management, began yesterday at Silent Shores Resorts and Spa and it will conclude this evening with performance by Folk Rock Band "When Chai Met Toast."

The theme for this year's edition is 'Orchestrated Collusion.' It is a platform for students to showcase their talents and highlight the cultural heritage and other talents among college fraternities while basking in the cultural heritage, spirits and the paradox.

Raghu Chaitanya Nayak, MD, Friendly Group of Companies, inaugurating the Fest, said that students should be confident about themselves and only then can they achieve success.

In all, 15 colleges participated in the events that included 'Vezeto-Best Manager,' 'Arcarius- Financial Wizard,' 'Vendition-The Marketing Horror,' and 'Aarbetcher-Emotional Quotient.'

The folk rock band "When Chai met Toast" will be performed this evening at 6 pm and stand-up comedian Biswa Kalyan Rath with his brand of tickling comedy is another highlight.

Interaction with India's ace teacher on Mar.19

Mysuru, Mar. 17- Learners PU College, in association with Dayananda Sagar University, has organised an interaction session with Anand Kumar, Founder of Ramanujam School of Mathematics, Patna, for students preparing for CET, NEET, JEE and DSAT examinations, on Mar.19 at Kalamandira at 5.30 pm.

Anand Kumar

Anand Kumar's school has been rated as one of the top four best schools in the country by TIME magazine. He chooses 30 students from the poorest of poor and trains them for free. Since the last several years, the training given by Kumar has resulted in 100 percent success of all the 30 students seeking admissions to IITs.

Parents and teachers of students in PU Colleges and High Schools, can also attend the event.

A biopic on Anand Kumar titled Super 30, with Hrithik Roshan in the lead is planned for release shortly. He had on an earlier occasion visited Mysuru to participate in the Foundation Stone Laying ceremony of Learners PU College along with Infosys founder N.R. Narayana Murthy.

Interested persons may contact Learners PU College, 1152, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, Mysore in person or send SMS to 9916397939 or email **learnerspuc@gmail.com**, according to a press release from the College.

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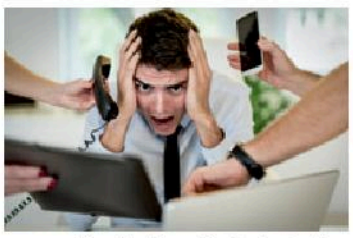
WORD OF THE DAY

Ergophobia

Pronuncitaion: Ur-guh-foh-bee-uh (Noun)



Meaning: An abnormal fear of work; an aversion to work.

Origin: Ergophobia, "abnormal fear of or aversion to work," is formed from two Greek nouns commonly used to form words in English: érgon "work" and the combining form -phobía "fear." Greek dialects preserve the original form wérgon, which comes directly from Proto-Indo-European wérgom, the source of Germanic werkam (English work). The combining form -phobía is a derivative of phóbos "flight, fear, panic fear," from Proto-Indo-European bhógwos, a derivative of the root bhegw- "to run," which appears in Slavic (Polish) biegać "to run." Ergophobia entered English in the early 20th century.

THE ODD WORD

Bunglesome

Clumsy or awkward.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

It's not rocket science

Meaning: It (the subject under discussion) isn't difficult to understand.

Origin: It is probably no surprise to hear that this phrase is American in origin. Of the English-speaking countries, America was the first to adopt a sustained programme for the development of rocket science. The first people who were widely known as rocket scientists were a group of German military technologists, who were transported to the USA in 1945 following their capture by allied troops in WWII. Other similar groups were transported to the UK and the USSR. Albert Einstein led by Werner Von Braun, the US group had previous expertise in the field, having developed the V-2 rocket that had been used to attack London and other targets earlier in the war. Their success during the 1940s and 50s in developing the sophisticated technology required for military and space rockets, was the reason for rocket science being equated in the US public's mind with outstanding expertise. The perceived equation of 'rocket scientist = German = clever' can only have been enhanced by the persona of another German scientist of acknowledged genius, who was also working in the USA at the time - Albert Einstein. If, by 1950, rocket science was generally accepted as being intellectually difficult and outside the capabilities of the average Joe, where and when did relatively undemanding tasks start being said to be 'not rocket science'?

QUOTE BOX

But man is not made for defeat. A man can be destroyed but not defeated.

— Ernest Hemingway

RIDDLE THIS

Solve this rebus

Answer: Split level.

SUDOKU

		7	6					
	9	6			5			
	5				7	1	8	
		2						4
	7		8		3		2	
8						9		
	2	1	7				6	
			3			5	1	
					1	3		

Answer to previous puzzle

6	2	7	8	4	3	5	9	1
5	9	3	2	1	7	8	6	4
1	8	4	5	6	9	2	3	7
2	5	8	7	3	4	9	1	6
4	6	1	9	5	2	3	7	8
7	3	9	1	8	6	4	2	5
3	1	5	6	9	8	7	4	2
9	7	6	4	2	5	1	8	3
8	4	2	3	7	1	6	5	9

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

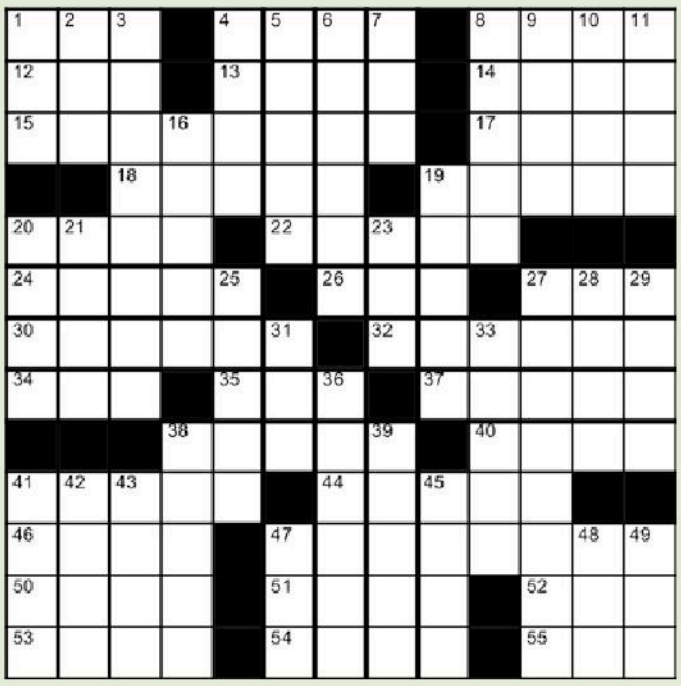
1 Edison monogram
4 Wood cutting tools
8 Travel about
12 Objective, target
13 Make a ___ for : appeal for or request for?
14 __ __ arms : riled? (2,2)
15 Disposed the dead body in our Vedic way
17 Hairless; treeless or bare
18 Stormed, was violent
19 Jazzman Davis
20 Morasses or quagmires, marshes
22 Showed the movie or play again, in a way? (2-3)
24 A girl who seems to have gone wrong!
26 French for 'Duke'
27 "You" in Urdu
30 Inherent, natural
32 "Canter" anagram for a dream-state
34 Concert
35 The sound made by a door-knocker
37 __ __ on : in a superior position to (3,2)
38 Dominant theme
40 Parts of a play
41 Rise from one's bed? (3,2)
44 An organ of our body
46 Overlook or forget
47 Reduce the speed of a vehicle or of an activity? (4,4)
50 One in Bonn
51 Use ears
52 ___ the line : conform, especially under pressure?
53 It helps to keep your collar together!
54 English painter, noted for his nudes
55 Supplement with difficulty

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

M	O	A	B	■	E	T	E	■	C	I	A	O
A	L	M	A	■	L	I	T	T	O	R	A	L
P	L	A	Y	A	L	O	N	E	H	A	N	D
S	A	R	O	D	■	■	A	R	O	N	■	■
■	■	■	U	D	F	■	■	E	R	I	E	S
P	S	U	■	R	E	S	I	S	T	A	N	T
A	P	P	■	E	A	R	T	H	■	N	D	A
Y	A	R	D	S	T	I	C	K	■	S	O	N
S	T	I	E	S	■	■	H	O	W	■	■	■
■	■	S	P	E	E	■	■	V	I	A	N	D
H	A	I	L	E	S	E	L	A	S	S	I	E
A	G	N	O	S	T	I	C	■	P	I	P	E
L	O	G	Y	■	H	A	D	■	S	N	A	P

DOWN

1 ___ au ___ : in fencing parry combined with riposte (same word)?
2 Expose for drying
3 Coming out
4 Slangy sort of cord-like pasta, in short
5 Change, transform or modify
6 Cleared the garden
7 Song of love is a ___ song....?
8 Emphasise, repeat embarrassing facts, etc. (3,2)
9 Gemstone
10 Revolting or nauseating
11 Aims or goals
16 Williams-Mercedes'Felipe___
19 Prefix meaning "combined" or "on a large scale"?
20 Ex-India batsman Abbas Ali __
21 Ever present as a prefix
23 In a ___ : in an unchanging groove?
25 Strip of leather on which a razor is sharpened
27 Short, usually amusing, account of an incident
28 _ __ above the rest : better than others? (1,3)
29 ___ up : enthuses or elates?
31 Take nourishment
33 ___ Bakshi : renowned lyricist
36 Young one in the sty?
38 Deadened or softened the sound of
39 Lie on the surface of liquid
41 Departs or leaves
42 Give out, emanate or exude
43 Ex-India paceman Yohannan
45 Crooked
47 Feminine pronoun
48 Chinese frying pan
49 Maiden-name



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Z PCCG YBJXQG DZQ FXUU OCT KWZF JI FWX NZFFXB KJFW OCT JQ Z

NJQTFX. WX NZO QCF IXXN ITDW Z PCCG YBJXQG ZYFXB FXUUJQP

TODAY'S CLUE: P EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: A wise man will make more opportunities than he finds.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Tagaru	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
Dandupalya 3	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
# O Premave	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
Prema Baraha	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Nanagishta	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
141	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
HINDI			
Raid	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
Hate Story IV	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Awe	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
Intelligent	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
RENOVATION WORKS UNDERWAY			
---	Lido	2420885	---
---	Sri Maruthi	9980351129	---

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Sonu Ke Titu Ki Sweety (H)	(S-1)	10.40 am
Tagaru (K)	(S-1)	1.30 pm
	(S-2)	7.15 pm
Black Panther (3D-E)	(S-1)	4.00 pm
Kirrak Party (Te)	(S-1)	6.55 pm, 9.55 pm
Idam Premam Jeevanam (K)	(S-2)	10.45 am
Padmaavat (H)	(S-2)	1.20 pm
Dandupalya 3 (K)	(S-2)	4.30 pm
	(S-3)	11.00 am
Ira (Ma)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
# O Premave (K)	(S-3)	1.30 pm
Pari: Not a Fairy Tale (H)	(S-3)	4.30 pm
The Shape of Water (E)	(S-3)	7.15 pm, 9.55 pm
Raid (H)	(S-4)	11am,1.30pm,4.15pm 7.00 pm, 9.55 pm

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Dandupalya 3 (K)	(S-1)	10.00 am
	(S-3)	4.05 pm
Raid (H)	(S-1)	9.00 pm
	(S-2)	11 am, 1.40 pm, 4.20 pm 7.00 pm, 9.40 pm
	(S-3)	10.10 am
Tagaru (K)	(S-4)	6.55 pm
Tomb Raider (3D-E)	(S-1)	12.20 pm
Padmaavat (3D-H)	(S-1)	5.45 pm
Sonu Ke Titu Ki Sweety (H)	(S-1)	2.55 pm
	(S-3	9.45 pm
Pari: Not a Fairy Tale (H)	(S-4)	10.40 am
Kirrak Party (Te)	(S-3)	1.00 pm
	(S-4)	9.40 pm
Poomaram (Ma)	(S-3)	6.40 pm
Idam Premam Jeevanam (K)	(S-4)	4.10 pm
# O Premave (K)	(S-4)	1.30 pm

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EVENTS TODAY (MAR.17)

Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samithi, Jayalakshmipuram: Discourse on 'Vishnu Rahasya' by Pt. Purandaracharya Hayagreeva, Samithi premises, **5 pm.**

Sri Tyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust: Flute recital by Vidu. Smitha Srikiran, Vid. H.K. Narasimhamurthy on violin, Vid. G.S. Ramanjuam on mridanga, Vid. V.S. Ramesh on ghata, Sri Vidya Bharati Prarthana Mandira, Sri Chandramouleshwara Temple, **6.30 pm.**

Co-optex Showroom, Shivarampet: 'Buy two - get one free' offer, Co-optex Showroom, #1468/D.33, Narayanashastry Road, Opp. More Mega Store, Shivarampet, **10 am to 8 pm.**

Grameena Mela: Cotton Silks Craft Expo, Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, **10.30 am to 9 pm.**

Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Mysuru Kendra: Aradhana celebration of Purandara Dasa, Thyagaraja and Kanaka Dasa, Vidu. Dharithri Ananda Rao and her troupe will be rendering the Pancha Ratna kritis of Saint Thyagaraja, Senior vocalist in Karnatak music, Sangeetha Vidya Nidhi Vidushi Mahalakshmi of Mysuru will be honoured for her valuable services to the field of Karnatak music, N. Ramanuja, Chairman, BVB, Bengaluru Kendra, will be the guest of honour, Prof. A.V. Narasimha Murthy, Chairman, BVB, Mysuru Kendra, will preside, Prof. Y.T. Thathachari auditorium of BVB, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **5.30 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, Yadavagiri: Discourse on Life and teachings of Swami Turiyananda by Swami Viprananda, Ashrama premises, **6 pm.**

Kalamandira: 'Suvarna Samathentho,' Staging of Maurice Maeterlinck's play 'The Blind' directed by H.S. Umesh, Theatre personality Srinivasa G. Kappanna and Rangayana Joint Director Mallikarjuna Swamy chief guests, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira, Hunsur Road, **6.30 pm.**

Vidyavardhaka First Grade College and Department of Archaeology Museums and Heritage: Valedictory of two-day State-level Conference, Department Deputy Director (Heritage) Nirmala Matapathi delivers valedictory address, College auditorium, Seshadri Iyer Road, **4.00 pm.**

Department of Studies in Business Administration, University of Mysore: Valedictory of two-day national conference on 'Digital Revolution and Management' Edgeverve Principal Consultant and Lead for Robotic Automation, North America, Ajay Kumar Singh delivers valedictory address, Rani Bahadur Auditorium, **4 pm.**

The Institution of Engineers: Lecture on Interfacing biology to engineering: Bio-engineering, Dr. M.S. Thakur, Retired Chief Scientist and Head, Fermentation technology and bio-engineering, CSIR-CFTRI, guest speaker, M. Chinnaswamy, Chairman, IEI, Mysuru, presides, S.P. Bhat Hall, IEI, JLB Road, **6pm.**

All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH): Inter-collegiate cultural festival, "AIISH Aawaaz - 2018," Panchavati campus, Bogadi Road, Manasagangothri, **6 pm.**

Mysore Science Foundation: Monthly Science Lecture series, 60th lecture on 'Future Man' by **Dr. C.R. Sathya,** Retired Scientist, ISRO, Bengaluru, Maneyangala, Kalamandira premises, **5.30 pm.**

Himalaya Foundation: Yoga Bhushan awards presentation to yoga achievers — Dr. A.S. Chandrashekar, Dr. Jayashri, K.G. Devaraj, V. Somashekar and M. Nagabushan; Dr. B.R. Nataraj Jois, Rajyotsava awardee, will inaugurate, Dr. K.S. Raghuramaiah Vajapayee, Social Worker, will preside, Dr.S.P. Yoganna of Suyog Hospital, Srihari of Yogic Foundation, T.N. Shashikumar of Nirvana Yoga School and T. Nagaraj of VVWW, will be the chief guests, Rotary Centre, JLB Road, **5.30 pm.**

Madhura Jyothi Kala Sangha and Kannada and Culture Directorate: 7th anniversary celebration, Samskruthika Ranga Vaibhava and Sugama Sangeethotsva, K. Jayakumar, MUDA member, will inaugurate, H. Channappa, Assistant Director, Kannada and Culture Department, will be the chief guest, Indushekar and troupe will present Sugama Sangeetha; comedy play *'Appa Annadi-Maga Kiladi'* by Anche Ramu Mitra Mandali, Town Hall, **5.30 pm.**

District Kannada Sahitya Parishat and Rajya Shaikshanika Diksoochi Mattu Sudarana Samithi: A debate (discussion) on Reformation in Electoral process and Voters participation, Prof. G.T. Ramachandrappa, UoM Political Science professor, will inaugurate, Dr. Y.D. Rajanna, President, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat, presides, Shivananda Sandanakera, Education Expert will be the chief guest, Parishat auditorium, Palace North Gate, **5pm.**

Kalasuruchi: Story-telling for kids by Arasikere Yogaanand, Senior Theatre Person, Mysuru, Suruchi Rangamane, Kuvempunagar, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm**

Sri Srinivasa Temple: Music programme by Vidwan Hemmige Prashanth, temple premises, Ramakrishnanagar 'I' Block, **5.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAR.18)

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Taralabalu Samagama: As part of Ugadi festival, Moon watching (Chandra veekshane), Tilak Nagar, **6.30pm and 7pm.**

Sri Srinivasa Temple: Abhishekam with the recitation of Vayu Stuthi by Hari Vayu Stuthi Parayana Mandali, Mahamangalarathi at **8.30 am,** Dhanavanthri Homa at **9 am,** "Paanchanga Shravana", temple premises, Ramakrishnanagar 'I' Block, **6.30 pm.**

Mysore Palace Board: Ugadi festivities, Panchanga Sharavana by Palace priests, **5 pm**; Mangalavadya and Saxophone by Vid. Yadukumar and Troupe, **5.30pm**; Ugadi Sangeethotsava and Cultural programmes, inauguration, **6pm;** Karnatak Classical Music by Vidu. Ranjani and Vidu, Gayatri, Chennai, Vid. L. Ramakrishnan (Violin), Vid. N. Manoj Shiva (mridanga) and Vid, K.V. Gopalakrishnan (khanjira), Palace premises, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Mahajana Sabha: 89th Ramotsava Cultural Fest, Akhila Karnataka Chitpavana Brahmana Sangha President Balakrishna Dongre will inaugurate, Sri Mahajana Sabha Hon. Vice-President N.R. Ramprasad will preside. Sri Rama Mandira, Krishnamurthypuram, **5.30pm.**

Sri Ganapathi Seva Mandali Trust: Ugadi festivities and Ramotsava Cultural Fest, Chaitra Rasamanjari, Ganapathi temple, Ramakrishnanagar, **7pm.**

Sri Rama Mandali Charitable Trust, Mysore North: Ramanavami Musical festival, inauguration by Dr. R.V. Raghavendra, Bharatanatya by Premitha Ramesh and Troupe, Sri Prasanna Parvathi Kalayana Mantapa, VV Mohalla, **6pm.**

Trayinyas Srividya Foundation: 9th Sri Vasantha Navatri Mahotsava; Ganapathi Puja, Ankurarpane, Naandi, Kalasha Sthapana, Mahabhisheka, Ugadi Panchanga shravana, **8.30 am;** Mruthyunjaya and Mahadhanvantri Homa, Trayinyas, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**

Judicial Layout Welfare Association: Ugadi festival, Panchanga shravana by Sri Veda Guru Ramachandra Achar, devotional songs by H.K. Ravindra and troupe, Benchukatte Maramma temple, JUdicial Layout, **5pm.**

Articulate Festival: Hindustani vocal recital by Praveen Paul, Bharatanatya by Aishwarya Venkatesh, Atanu Das, Pranab Das, Saswathi Sharma, Avijit Kundu, Kuchipudi by Amarnath Ghosh, Kathak by Poorna Acharya, Veene Seshanna Bhavan, Kuvempunagar, **6pm.**

EVENTS ON MONDAY (MAR.19)

Sri Ramaseva Mandali, Mysuru North: 24th Ramanavami Festivities, Vocal recital by Vid. Sandip Narayanan accompanied by K.J. Dileep, K.U. Jayachandra Rao and Sukanya Ramagopal, Sri Prasanna Parvati Kalyana Mantapa, V.V.Mohalla, **5.30 pm to 6.15 pm.**

All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH): Dr. Hiroya Fujisaki, Professor Emeritus, University of Tokyo, Japan, to deliver International Speech Communication Association (ISCA) distinguished lecture on "Fujisaki Model: Fundamentals and Applications," AIISH Seminar Hall, Academic Block, Manasagangothri, **2 pm.**

Mysore Palace Board: Ugadi programmes, Karnakak Classical Music by Vid. R. Raghu and troupe, **5.30 pm**; Grand Jugalbandhi by Dr. Mysore Manjunath (Violin) and Ustad Rafiq Khan (Sitar), Palace premises, **6.30 pm.**

Ganapathi Seva Mandali: Ramotsava Cultural Fest, inauguration by Art Patron K.V. Murthy, Bhajans by Chitpavana Samaja, Ramakrishnanagar 'I' Block, **6 pm.**

Trayinyas Srividya Foundation: 9th Sri Vasantha Navatri Mahotsava; Mahabhisheka, Sri Chakrachane, Sundarakanda Parayana, **8.30 am;** Sri Dashavatara Mahavishnu Homa, Trayinyas, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30pm.**

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